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SUBJECT: CHANGE IN CABINET POST FOR INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE

1. NATIONAL PALACE HAS ANNOUNCED THAT SECRETARY FOR STATE FOR INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE, EUDORO SANCHEZ Y SANCHEZ, HAS RESIGNED AND BEEN REPLACED BY PEDRO PABLO VILLANUEVA. SANCHEZ Y SANCHEZ HELD POSTS OF TECHNICAL SECRETARY TO THE PRESIDENT AND DIRECTOR GENERAL OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (FOMENTO) BEFORE BEING APPOINTED AS SECRETARY FOR INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE. HE HELD THIS LATTER POST FOR ABOUT ONE YEAR.

2. VILLANUEVA HAS HELD THE POST OF DIRECTOR GENERAL OF MINING. MOST RECENTLY HE HAS BEEN SERVING AS PRESIDENT OF THE COMMISSION ON WAR DAMAGE CLAIMS WITHIN THE SECRETARIAT OF STATE FOR FINANCE. VILLANUEVA DOES NOT APPEAR TO BE WIDELY KNOWN IN LOCAL BUSINESS CIRCLES.

3. COMMENT: SOME LOCAL RADIO AND NEWSPAPER COMMENTATORS HAVE SPECULATED THAT SANCHEZ Y SANCHEZ WAS FIRED BY THE PRESIDENT FOR AUTHORIZING MILK PRICE INCREASES, PRESUMABLY WITHOUT PRIOR APPROVAL FROM THE PRESIDENT. HOWEVER, SANCHEZ Y SANCHEZ IS KNOWN LOCALLY AS ONE OF BALAGUER'S MOST LOYAL

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SUPPORTERS AND IT IS UNLIKELY THAT HE WOULD ALLOW A PRICE

INCREASE WITHOUT PALACE APPROVAL. MOREOVER, PRICE INCREASE STANDS. LOCAL RUMOR HAS IT THAT SANCHEZ Y SANCHEZ PROBABLY WILL BE APPOINTED TO ANOTHER RESPONSIBLE POSITION WITHIN A MONTH OR SO. ONE POSSIBILITY IS THAT SANCHEZ Y SANCHEZ WAS QUOTE FIRED UNQUOTE TO DEFLECT CRITICISM FROM PRESIDENT. HOWEVER, IT IS ALSO POSSIBLE THAT HE RESIGNED IN ANTICIPATION OF ANOTHER APPOINTMENT AND THAT THE RESIGNATION AND INCREASE IN MILK PRICES WERE COINCIDENTAL.

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